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AMENDMENT

Applicant hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time, a petition pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a) and authorization to charge the requisite fee being enclosed.

Responsive to the outstanding Office Action mailed January 9, 2007, in the aboveidentified application, applicant respectfully requests that the claims be reconsidered in light of the following remarks.